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### AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

#### Listing of Claims:

Claim 1. (Currently Amended) An article for cleansing body surfaces, the article comprising:

- a) an effervescent composition comprising solid alkaline and acidic materials;  
and
- b) a liquid-permeable laminate comprising a plurality of layers, said laminate having a first layer comprising a web and a second layer, in contact with said first layer, comprising a plurality of webs wherein said effervescent composition is present between the webs comprising said second layer [(.)];

wherein said web of said first layer comprises a lathering surfactant distributed over said first layer on the surface of said layer's web opposite the contact surfaces of said first layer and said second layer.

Claim 2. (Canceled)

Claim 3. (Currently Amended) The ~~cosmetic~~ article of claim [[2]] 1 where the lathering surfactant is selected from the group consisting of anionic lathering surfactants, nonionic lather surfactants, amphoteric lathering surfactants and mixtures thereof.

Claim 4. (Currently Amended) The ~~cosmetic~~ article of claim 3 wherein said article comprises the lathering surfactant is at a level from about 0.01% to 1500%, by weight of said article-laminate, of said lathering surfactant.

Claim 5. (Currently Amended) The ~~cosmetic~~ article of claim 4 wherein the anionic lathering surfactants are selected from the group consisting of sarcosinates,

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sulfates, isethionates, taurates, phosphates, lactylates, glutamates, and mixtures thereof.

Claim 6. (Currently Amended) The ~~cosmetic~~ article of claim 5 wherein said second layer's webs are affixed to one another at the contacting surfaces of the webs by attachment means selected from the group consisting of bonding agents, sonic welding, heat fusing, mechanical compression and combinations thereof.

Claim 7. (Currently Amended) The ~~cosmetic~~ article of claim 6 wherein said bonding agents are selected from the group consisting of polyethylene glycol, polyethylene and mixtures thereof.

Claim 8. (Currently Amended) The ~~cosmetic~~ article of claim 7 wherein said article has a third layer attached to said second layer at the surface of said second layer opposite the contacting surface of said first layer and said second layer.

Claim 9. (Currently Amended) The ~~cosmetic~~ article of claim 8 wherein the article's layers are bonded together about the perimeter of said article.

Claim 10. (Currently Amended) The ~~cosmetic~~ article of claim 9 wherein said effervescing composition is dry and comprises from about 1 to about 80% of the total weight of the effervescing composition an alkaline material selected from the group consisting of anhydrous salts of carbonates and bicarbonates; alkaline peroxides and azides and mixtures thereof.

Claim 11. (Currently Amended) The ~~cosmetic~~ article of claim 10 wherein said alkaline material is selected from the group consisting sodium bicarbonate, potassium bicarbonate, sodium carbonate, potassium carbonate and mixtures thereof.

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Claim 12. (Currently Amended) The ~~cosmetic~~ article of claim 11 wherein said effervescing composition comprises from about 0.5% to about 80% of the total weight of the effervescing composition an acidic material is selected from the group consisting of C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>20</sub> organic mono- and poly-carboxylic acids; C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>20</sub> organophosphorus acids; C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>20</sub> organosulfur acids, toluene sulfonic acid; peroxides, lactones and mixtures thereof.

Claim 13. (Currently Amended) The ~~cosmetic~~ article of claim 12 wherein said hydroxycarboxylic acids are selected from the group consisting of adipic, glutaric, succinic, tartaric, malic, maleic, lactic, salicylic, citric acids and mixtures thereof.

Claim 14. (Withdrawn) An article for cleansing body surfaces, the article comprising:

- a) an effervescent composition comprising solid alkaline and acidic materials;  
and
- b) a liquid-permeable laminate comprising a plurality of layers, said laminate's first layer comprising a web and a second layer in contact with said first layer, wherein said second layer comprises a two webs wherein said effervescent composition is provided to the contacting surfaces of said webs comprising said second layer; and
- c) a third layer contacting said second layer at the surface of said second layer opposite that contacting the surface of said first layer.

Claim 15. (Withdrawn) The cosmetic article of claim 14 wherein said web of said first layer comprises a lathering surfactant distributed over said first layer on the surface of said layer's web opposite the contact surfaces of said first layer and said second layer.

Claim 16. (Withdrawn) The cosmetic article of claim 15 further comprising a skin treatment agent at a level from about 0.001 to about 30% by weight of the article, said skin treatment agent located on the surface of said third layer opposite said surface contacting said second layer.

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Claim 17.(Withdrawn) The cosmetic article of claim 16 wherein said skin treatment agent is selected from the group consisting of conditioning component, vitamins, zeolites, peptides, sunscreen actives, terpene alcohols, desquamation actives, anti-acne actives, anti-wrinkle actives, anti-atrophy actives, anti-oxidants, flavanoids, anti-inflammatory agents, anti-cellulite agents, topical anesthetics, tanning actives, chelators, skin lightening agents, antimicrobial actives, anti-fungal actives, skin soothing actives, skin healing actives, skin moisturizing actives, cosmetic actives and mixtures thereof.

Claim 18. (Withdrawn) The cosmetic article of claim 17 further comprising from about 0.010% to about 35% by weight of article of an emollient.

Claim 19. (Withdrawn) The cosmetic article of claim 18 wherein said emollients are selected from the group consisting of natural or synthetic esters, silicone oils, hydrocarbons, starches, fatty acids, triglycerides, waxes and mixtures thereof.

Claim 20. (Withdrawn) The cosmetic article of claim 19 wherein said third layer has a lathering surfactant upon its surface opposite its surface contacting said second layer.

Claim 21. (Withdrawn) An article for cleansing body surfaces, the article comprising:

- a) an effervescent composition comprising solid alkaline and acidic materials;  
and
- b) a liquid-permeable laminate comprising a plurality of layers, said laminate having a first layer comprising a web and a second layer in contact with said first layer, wherein said second layer comprises two webs wherein said effervescent composition is present between said first and second web of said second layer;
- c) a third layer contacting said second layer at the surface of said second layer opposite that contacting said first layer; and

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- d) a fourth layer contacting said third layer at the surface of said third layer opposite that contacting the second layer wherein said fourth layer comprises a high loft batting material.

Claim 22. (Withdrawn) The cosmetic article of claim 21 wherein said web of said first layer comprises a lathering surfactant distributed over said first layer on the surface of said layer's web opposite the contact surfaces of said first layer and said second layer, and distributed over said third layer on the surface of said layer's web opposite the contact surfaces of said second layer and said third layer.

Claim 23. (Withdrawn) The cosmetic article of claim 21 wherein said fourth layer has a lathering surfactant over the surface of said high loft batting material.

Claim 24. (Withdrawn) A kit for the use of cosmetic article for cleansing body surfaces, said kit comprising:

- a) an effervescent composition comprising solid alkaline and acidic materials;
- b) a cleansing article comprising a liquid-permeable laminate comprising a plurality of layers, said laminate's first layer comprising a web and a second layer in contact with said first layer, wherein said second layer comprises two webs wherein said effervescent composition is provided on to the contacting surface of said webs comprising said second layer; and
- c) a package for storage of a plurality of said cleansing articles, said package having a removable seal and a closure, wherein upon opening the closure and removing the seal, a desired number of cleansing articles are removed from said package wherein the closure is closed to store the remaining non-selected articles in the package.

Claim 25. (Withdrawn) The kit according to claim 24 wherein the package comprises a hinged closure and said package comprises vents to allow escape of any residual gas from within the sealed package.